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Community Calendar

Gun safety, violence topic at Taking Action For Peace event

Navigating the Complexities of Guns in Our Society will be the topic at the next Rotary Taking Action for Peace series. The event is planned for 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday, March 28 at Henry Ford College.

Panels include speakers from healthcare, law enforcement and community leaders.

Free gun locks will be available.

Registration is required and available at http://bit.ly/3C4z9ty.

VFW Fish Fry begins Friday

The VFW Mayflower LT Gamble Post 6695 Annual Lenten fish fry beings tomorrow, March 7.
Meals will be served from 4:30 until 7 p.m. and include various sizes of fish, shrimp, Walleye and chicken tender dinners ranging in price from $11 to $14.

Extra side dishes and desserts are available at an additional cost.
The VFW Post is located at 1426 Mill St. in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 459-6700.

Sumpter Township to host Red Cross blood drive March 27

The Sumpter Township Community Center will be the site of a Red Cross Blood Drive set for noon until 6 p.m. April. 27.

The Community Center is located at 23502 Sumpter Road in Belleville. To make an appointment, contact RedCrossBlood.Org or call the township office at (734)461 02010.

Northville State of Community luncheon set for April 11

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the annual State of the Community Luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. April 11 at the Vistatech Center at Schoolcraft College.

The luncheon features local leaders who discuss current events and initiatives in the city and township. Featured speakers this year are Northville Mayor Brian Turnbull, Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo and Superintendent of the Northville Public Schools Dr. RJ Webber.

Chamber members' cost for the luncheon is $47.50 while the fee for non-chamber members is $52.50.
To purchase tickets or for more information, call (248) 349-7640.

Sponsorships ranging from $500 to $4,000 are available. For more information, contact maddy@northville.org.

'English" at Tipping Point

Tipping Point Theatre's 17th theatrical season will continue March 12 with a presentation of English, by Sanaz Toossi, another Michigan premiere. In an Iranian classroom for adult English learners, the teacher, Marjan, leads four students through a linguistic playground as they prepare for the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) exam.

This comic and heartfelt play about language and identity won the 2023 Pulitzer Prize.

Tickets for English are available for purchase by visiting www.tippingpointtheatre.com, or by calling the Ticket Office at (248) 347-0003.

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Townships OK study of new Salem wastewater plan

Officials in both Canton and Plymouth townships continue their years-long opposition to a new Salem Township Sewer Treatment Plant proposed near their community borders.

In separate meetings last month, a "feasibility study" was approved by members of each of the township boards of trustees to determine if the Salem Township plant could be connected to the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) rather than treat the sewage on site. The study will explore the possibility of a 12.5 mile pressurized pipeline as an alternative to onsite treatment of sewage at the proposed facility to be located near M-14 an Napier Road. The proposed pipeline would be underground in Van Buren Township, along with Canton and Plymouth.

Since the announcement of the planned facility, residents in both Canton and Plymouth have expressed serious concerns regarding odors, flooding and environmental damage, along with the impact on residential values in the area.

The proposed treatment plant is part of a planned Urban Service District in Salem Township. The development would be located in a 1,400-acre area near M-14 and Gotfredson Road and include commercial, industrial and residential development.

It is only giving consent to do the feasibility study. It is not granting consent for the installation of sewer pipelines.

While some infrastructure for the development is complete, neighboring townships continue to dispute the plan to treat wastewater on the site near their borders.

An attorney for Salem Township, Ed Plato, warned members of the Plymouth Township board that the development was going to proceed. He noted that while Salem "doesn't want" a wastewater disposal plant, the project would move forward. The plan to connect the Salem plant to the Ypsilanti facility for treatment would require Salem Township to provide and fund all maintenance.

Plymouth Township trustees approved the study by a 5-2 vote with Treasurer Bob Doroshewitz and Clerk Jerry Vorva casting the dissenting votes.

Vorva was vocal in his opposition noting that the plant "can be put someplace else." He said he believed the Salem offiicals deliberately located the plan near the Plymouth border in an effort "intimidate" Plymouth officials and "force our hands."

Vorva's suggestion to move the issue to a special meeting with notice to residents for their input did not receive support from the trustees.

Doroshewitz agreed with Vorva and said he had doubts that Salem would treat wastewater in a plant so close to future residential development.

"I'm having a difficult time believing that they would build a wastewater treatment plant and then try to sell 400 homes within a mile of it if this thing was going to be such an animal to manage, to build, and operate," Doroshewitz said.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Chuck Curmi was strongly in favor of the possible pipeline compromise as an effort to protect residents from the negative impacts of a treatment plant on the western border of the community and urged trustees to approve the study costs.

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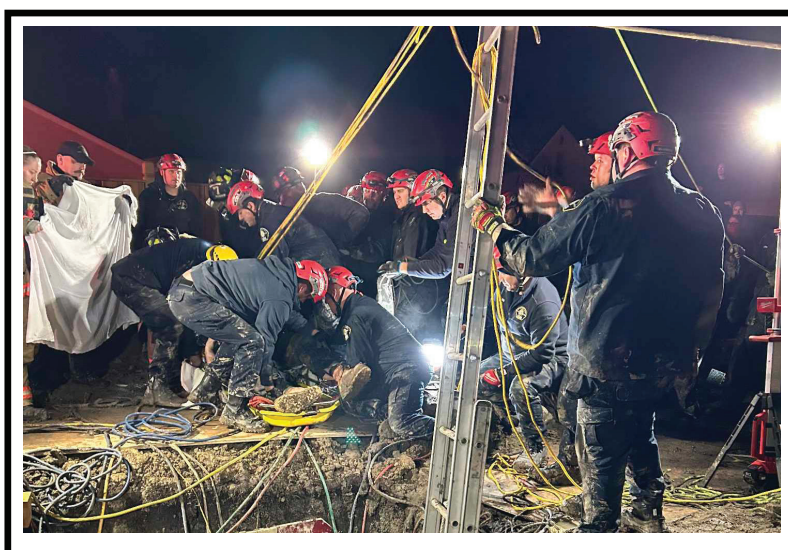

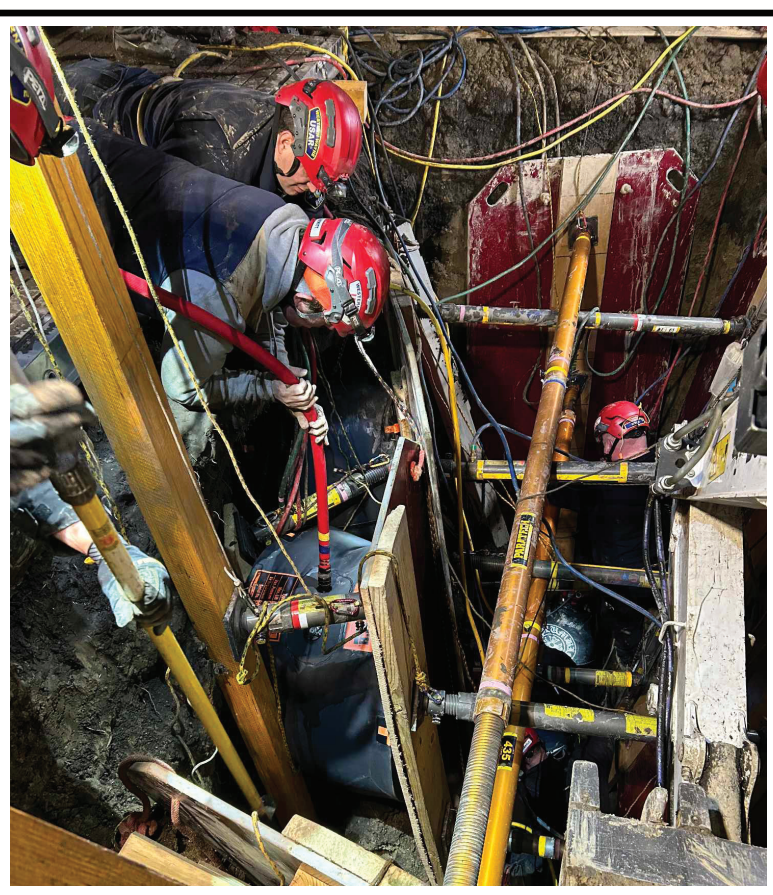

To the rescue

Specialized team saves utility workers

Firefighters from both Canton Township and the City of Romulus were called on Feb. 25 to aid in the rescue of two workers trapped in a collapsed trench in Wyandotte. The rescue effort was led by the Western Wayne County Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) team. First responders from several surrounding communities were called to help rescue the workers trapped in the trench which collapsed as they were performing utility repairs.

Romulus Director of Community Safety Kevin Kraus noted that the USAR team is one of the most skilled in the region. Every member is highly trained in multiple rescue disciplines and undergoes monthly training to continuously improve their skills. Their expertise includes building collapse, rope rescue, water rescue, trench collapse, confined space operations, and wide-area search, he explained in a prepared release.

Canton officials noted that while the USAR team isn't called upon every day, the team members are always ready. USAR serves as an insurance policy for municipalities throughout Wayne County and despite the rarity of their use, their work is incredibly specialized.

"In critical situations like this, the return on investment is immeasurable," Kraus said. "Two individuals were saved and can return home to their families and loved ones."

"The incident highlights the remarkable dedication and courage of our firefighters, as well as their unwavering commitment to saving lives. We are incredibly proud of their work and the critical role they play in keeping us all safe," Canton offiicals said.

Move to new Northville Township Service complex begins

The Northville Township Emergency Dispatch Department, along with the police detective bureau officially moved into the new essential services complex last week.

The new complex, located on Traditions Drive off Seven Mile Road, is on property formerly occupied by the Northville Psychiatric Hospital which was demolished. The new, 96,000 square-foot public services building will be the cornerstone for enhanced public safety for Northville Township, officials said. The building will house the new police headquarters, Fire Station 2, a new Department of Public Works headquarters and a Northville Parks & Recreation Trailhead Building for Legacy Park, officials added.

The Northville Public Safety Dispatch officers handle all 911 calls as well as non-emergency calls for both Northville Township and the City of Northville. All the necessary equipment has been transferred to the new location.

Once construction progresses, the rest of the Police Department staff will shift to the new facility, officials said.

Dingell honored as 'Champion' by public broadcasters

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell was recently presented with the Champion of Public Broadcasting Award by America's Public Television Stations (APTS).

The Champion of Public Broadcasting Award is the highest honor of the organization, given annually to champions in Congress and state government for their extraordinary support of public television. Dingell has shown unwavering leadership as a champion of public television for her entire Congressional career and beyond, recognizing the valuable services public broadcasting provides to the people of Michigan and throughout our nation, noted Kate Riley, president and CEO of America's Public Television Stations.

"Congresswoman Dingell has been a stalwart and effective supporter of public media. Time and again, Congresswoman Dingell has shown steadfast leadership on our issues by consistently supporting our annual funding requests, helping stations address pressing infrastructure needs, supporting the efforts of stations like Detroit PBS to meet the challenges of the COVID pandemic and provide the highest quality resources to their communities when they were needed most," Riley said.

"We greatly appreciate Congresswoman Dingell's keen understanding of the unique role of local public television stations in the media marketplace and our extraordinary public services from education as demonstrated by the Michigan Learning Channel, to our role in public safety through the PBS WARN system and all that our local stations do to connect communities to each other and highlight the stories, history and culture that are uniquely theirs.

"America's Public Television Stations are profoundly grateful for Congresswoman Dingell's leadership and support, and it is my honor to present her with the well-deserved 2025 Champion of Public Broadcasting Award," Riley said during the presentation ceremony.

"Public television stations provide an irreplaceable service by sharing public safety, educational and local programming, every day, for free, and remain among the most trusted sources of information for their communities," said Dingell. "We must continue to invest in public broadcasting, which benefits every American, especially those in rural communities. I am honored to be a Champion of Public Broadcasting and will continue to advocate for strong federal support for public TV."

Dingell represents Michigan's 6th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Sewer

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Canton Township trustees, however, were unanimously in favor of the study noting that the treatment plant could impact the area which suffered severe flooding in 2023 along Fellows and Fowler creeks. Officials noted that the addition of a possible 850,000 gallons of treated wastewater per day from the proposed Salem plant would seriously impact flooding in the community.

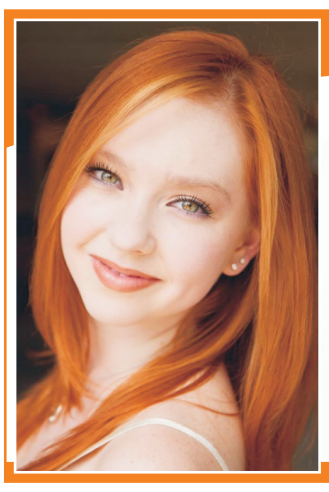
"I believe there are over 14,000 households on the Fellows Creek," said Clerk Michael Siegrist, reminding board members that the August 2023 storm generated millions of dollars in property damage. "That's 14,000 basements and I just can't imagine another million gallons of water under a severe storm event going into those 14,000 basements," he said.

"This is important," Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak said. "EGLE is basically about to issue the permit for this wastewater treatment facility…they don't want to do this because it's a small treatment facility, however, they said they really have no alternative at this point."

Salem Township previously explored connecting to the Canton-based Western Townships Utility Authority (WTUA), but that plan fell through. A previous agreement with YCUA also failed when Superior Township successfully blocked the sewer route in court.

The feasibility study is expected to take several months and is designed to evaluate the technical and financial viability of the sewer pipeline proposal.

"It is only giving consent to do the feasibility study," Plymouth Township attorney Kevin Bennett said. "It is not granting consent for the installation of sewer pipelines."



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NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS

To the owner or occupant or any person or persons, firm or corporation having charge of any land in the Township of Canton:

Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing on any land in the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, must be cut and destroyed on or before the 1st day of May, June, July, August, September, and October 2025 and/or as needed. And every owner, occupant, or person having charge of any such land must notify the Township that such weeds have been destroyed within three days of such cutting. Any person failing to comply with this notice on or before the date mentioned shall be liable to the imposition of the penalties set forth in Ordinance Number 64, of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, and shall be liable for all expenses incurred by the Township in destroying said noxious weeds, which expenses, if unpaid by the owner or to the occupant, shall be spread against the property on the next County and School Tax Roll or the next General Township Tax Roll and/or the Township may place a lien upon the property to secure the collection of such expense.

The township may notify by certified mail, with return receipt requested, the owner, agent, or occupant, as shown on the current county and school tax roll, of any lands on which such noxious weeds are found growing. Such notice shall contain methods of treating and eradicating such noxious weeds and a summary of the provisions of this section. Failure of the township to give such notice shall not, however, constitute a defense to any action to enforce the payment of any penalty provided in this article or any debt created under this article.

NOTICE TO CUT LAWN GRASS IN EXCESS OF FIVE INCHES

The township shall notify the violator of excessive lawn grass in the same manner as provided for in Ord. No. 78-2(c).

(Ord. No. 64, as amended, § 6, 6-24-1997; Ord. of 8-9-2016(1), § 1)

CITY OF ROMULUS
NOXIOUS WEED NOTICE TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE CITY OF ROMULUS

In accordance with P.A. 359 of 1941, as amended and Chapter 34, Article 3, of the Romulus Code of Ordinances it shall be the duty of all owners of lands on which noxious weeds are found growing, to destroy the same before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from becoming a detriment to public health.

If any such owner, agent or occupant of such land shall refuse to destroy such noxious weeds or cause them to be destroyed, it shall be the duty of the Noxious Weed Commissioner to enter upon such land and destroy such noxious weeds.

Nothing in this notice shall apply to weeds in fields devoted to growing any small grain crop such as wheat, oats, barley or rye.

All weeds not cut by May 1, 2025 will be cut by the City and the owner of the property will be charged with the cost. Subsequent violations will result in additional cuttings and will be done as often as necessary when vegetation reaches eight (8) inches in height and/or seed bearing stage.

Any expense incurred in such destruction shall be paid by the owner or owners of such land and the city shall have a lien against such land for such expense. Any owner who shall refuse to destroy such noxious weeds shall also be subject to a fine that is set at the courts discretion.

All refuse and debris on the given owners property will be removed by the City at the owners' expense.

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
RFP 24/25-10 Single Hauler Waste Collection and Disposal Program

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking proposals from qualified refuse contractors for the purpose of entering into a long-term contract for all components of the city's waste and recycling services. Services required under the contract shall include but not be limited to curbside waste collection and disposal, single stream curbside recycling and processing program, curbside yard waste collection and composting, and other miscellaneous related services. The contract will be awarded for a term of 7 years with three (3) one year options to renew.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a proposal ***must use the forms provided by the City.*** Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN system at http://www.mitn.info/. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. Proposals may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents.
(2) Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference is a requirement of this request for proposals. The conference will be held at the City of Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road Romulus, MI 48174 Monday March 19, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.EST. Staff will be available at this meeting to answer questions about this RFP.
(3) Questions must be emailed to Purchasing@romulusgov.com and received no later than 12:00 Noon, March 20, 2025.
(4) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the RFP documents.
(5) Proposals should be addressed using the proposal label provided in the RFP documents. A total of five (5) copies (One original and five marked "Copy") and 1 electronic copy in "PDF" form of the proposal documents must be submitted all together in one single sealed envelope or package and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 P.M., Thursday**, 3/27/2025**. The original proposal may be clipped but should not be stapled or bound. Copies may be stapled and bound. The original and copies should be identical, excluding the obvious difference in labeling.
(6) One RFP pricing sheet must be sealed in a separate envelope and attached to the Table of Contents page of the "Original" copy of the proposal and placed inside the package/envelope containing the copies of the proposals. This envelope should be clearly marked **"RFP 24/25-10 PROPOSAL PRICING ENVELOPE." DO NOT INCLUDE ANY PRICING OR FEES IN YOUR TECHNICAL PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS.** Failure to submit pricing on the proposal form provided by the City of Romulus may cause the bid to be considered non-responsive and ineligible for award.
(7) At approximately 2:30 p.m. **3/27/2025**, following the deadline for submitting bids, all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.
(8) The successful Contractor will be required to enter into a contract with and provide all bonds and submit proof of all insurance required by the request for proposal documents and originals of all required endorsements acceptable to the City.
(9) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all proposals and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposals received. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
(10) The City reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any proposals that do not contain the information requested in this RFP.
(11) The City reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any proposals which are not organized and formatted as described in this RFP.
(12) The City, during the course of the evaluation process, may request additional written information to supplement and clarify the information provided in this response.
(13) The City, at the discretion of the proposal evaluation team, may conduct interviews with some or all of the companies that submitted proposals for consideration.
(14) For additional information contact Christina Parker, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing purchasing@romulusgov.com.
(15) The City of Romulus strictly prohibits the reproduction or publishing of any published document or solicitation without the express written consent of the City of Romulus. Unauthorized posting of any notice of these documents or reference to said documents or solicitations is strictly prohibited.

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Township of Sumpter
Public Hearing Agenda
March 25, 2025
5:30 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call: Bowman, LaPorte, Patterson, Oddy, Frazier, Honey, & Rush.
3. Motion to Open Public Hearing for the 2025-2026 Township budget.
4. Motion to Close Public Hearing
5. Adjournment

Don LaPorte, Clerk
Posted: March 5, 2025, at 10:00 am

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Sumpter Township board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 5 days' notice to the Sumpter Township board. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sumpter Township board by writing or calling the following: Don LaPorte 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID
ITB 24/25-11 Camera Recording Package for Cable Studio

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the purchase of a digital studio camera package for the City of Romulus Cable Department.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (http://www.mitn.info/). Bids may be rejected unless mad
(2) Questions must be emailed to Purchasing@romulusgov.com and received no later than 12:00 PM Local Time, March 17, 2025.
(3) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the bid documents.
(4) A total of two copies (one marked "Original" and one marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:00 P.M., **Tuesday, 3/25/25.** Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the solicitation documents or submitted electronically on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct.
(5) At approximately 3:00 p.m., local time **3/25/25**, all timely received bids will be publicly opened and read.
(6) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
(7) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the solicitation documents and copies of all required endorsements.
(8) For additional information contact Christina Parker, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing Purchasing@romulusgov.com.
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CITY OF ROMULUS
2025 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll. Please come prepared, as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board is strictly adhered.

March 10, 2025:	9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
March 11, 2025:	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
March 12, 2025:	12:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Residents and Non-Residents may appeal by (1) making an appointment to appear before the Board **OR** (2) in writing (personal appearance is not required). The Board of Review MUST receive all written appeals/documentation no later than March 12, 2025 at 3:30 pm.

Property owners may appoint and authorize a representative to appear on their behalf. According to Ordinance, all Representatives or Agents MUST submit an original, notarized, current proof of authorization to act on behalf of the property owner as a prerequisite to appeal to the Board of Review.

To schedule an appointment to appeal to the March Board of Review, please call the City of

The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 to address clerical errors, mutual mistakes of fact, and poverty exemptions

July 22, 2025:	9:30 am
December 09, 2025:	9:30 am

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

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